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Senator Stanley C. Rosenberg
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State House, Room 320
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Dear Senator Rosenberg,

We would like to offer our thanks for all your work on behalf of Amherst and the Commonwealth throughout this budget process. In this most difficult fiscal climate, we were so fortunate to have your leadership of the Special Commission on Municipal Relief, and your strong support for aid to communities and schools. In particular, your championing of the long-desired local option taxes and closing the telecommunications loophole have been much appreciated.

Additionally, your success in eliminating the tax exemption on the UMass Campus Center Hotel takes care of an issue that has long rankled people in Amherst.

For all of this, and for your steadfast dedication to our community, we thank you.

Sincerely,

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Stephanie J. O'Keeffe, Chair

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